After the candidates had been present-

ed to the bishop, and after those present had given the usual assurance that

they had been examined and found

worthy, the bishop arose from his chair

and proclaimed a general invitation to

any person knowing "any impediment

ome forward and declare.

test.

r notable crime" in the candidates to

Then followed a profound silence.

People turned about as if expecting

some one to rise up and make a pro-

logical seminary, but would labor in

British, French and German Resi-

dents of Cuba Who Lost Property

During the Insurrection Will Pre-

sent Claims to the United States

Washington, May 14.-The state de-

partment has been informally advised

that claims aggregating a considerable

amount have been made by British,

French and German residents in Cuba

during the recent insurrection, and that

those ultimately will be pressed against

the United States government. The

claims themselves have not yet been

presented, but are being collected by

the several foreign offices as the claim-

ants send them in. In some cases

schedules have been made, and they ag-

gregate between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,-

000 francs. The German claims are

understood to be slightly under those

of the French, while the British claims

tre said to be considerably more than

Those foreign claims are quite dis-

inct from those of citizens of the

United States, originally against Spain.

for damager sustained in Cuba during

the insurrection. The peace treaty specifically pervided for these Ameri-

can claimants, releasing Spain and stating that the United States would

make such settlement as was proper,

Millions Have Been Filed.

the treaty for foreign claimants, and

over Cuba has passed out of the hands

of Spain. The United States having

undertaken to look after the Amer-

ican claimants, the foreigners are de-

sirous of being treated in the same

manner. It was stated at one of the

foreign establishments that there was

no disposition to push the claims un-

duly but to bring them to the atten-

tion of the United States government

in order that the question of liability

might be determined and such relies

granted as the merits of the cases

foreign quarters that payments will be

largely a matter of discretion with the

after the American claimants was as-

sumed voluntarily and there is no ob-

ligation, either in the treaty or on gen-

eral principles of law, for assuming

the claims growing out of Spain's in

ing the period of Spanish rule.

by Spain.

RIOTING POLES

y no fatalities followed.

ability to maintain order in Cuba dur-

These foreign claims cover damages

to plantations, personal property, etc.,

of French. British and German resi-

dents of Cuba, and are not connected

with the bonded debt of Cuba in for-

eign hands, which debt was assessed

The Killing of a Small Child by a

Trolley Car Causes Trouble-An

Attempt to Lynch the Motorman.

Pittsburg. May 14 .- Penn avenue and

wenty-second street was the scene to-

A Consolidated Traction car in com-

day of a riot which threatened for a

time to result seriously, but fortunate-

ing along the avenue struck and hor-

ribly mangled Katie Three, a Polish

child four years of age. While the

dead body was being taken from under

the car, a crowd of several hundred.

principally Poles, gathered and became

tacked the motorman and conductor

with the intention of lynching them.

By this time the patrol wagon ar-

rived and one of the officers jumped

into the cap with the motorman and

succeeded in getting the car and oc-

monets out of danger. Michael Bigge.

the only policeman left with the mob.

was then pounced upon and badly beat-

inst onto one of the ring leaders until

squad of reserves came to his relief

When the officers attempted to put the

arrested man into the wagon the mob-

made a dash to rescue him and a des-

erate battle followed tasting half an

hour, by which time reinforcements ar-

many of them being much the worse

for the rough usage the policemen were

principal ring leaders in the trouble

Shipping News.

New York, May 11 - Arrived: 1. Bre-

tagne, Havre, Queenstown-Sailed Cm-bria, (dverpool for New York, South-

compelled to resort to.

were arrested.

rived and the rioters were dispersed.

He succeeded, however, in hold-

incensed at the sight that they at-

AT PITTSBURG

United States, as the obligation to look

warranted. It is appreciated in these

Under this clause claims aggregat-

was made by

either the French or German.

Government for Settlement.

TO BE PRESSED

connection with his teaching.

CUBAN CLAIMS

SPANIARDS CAPTURED BY **INSURGENTS**

TWO CENTS.

The Garrison at Zamboanga Is Besieged.

WATER SUPPLY CUT OFF

Spanish Premier Says America Has Not Succeeded-The Civilians of Philippine Commission Is in Favor of Meeting with a Filipino Commission for the Purpose of Arranging Peace Terms-General Law-Uniform Quiet at Manila.

Washington, May 14.-The war department today received the fellowing despatch:

Manila, May 14 .- It is reported that a Zambounga insurgents attacked Spanish troops 11th inst., using quick firing guns and arms captured from Spanish gun-Spanish general and two officer, ed. Few casualties among troops Spanish garrison new besieged. Water supply cut on and troops calling for re-lief. (Signed) Otis.

Madrid, May 14.-Senor Don Franesseo Silvela, the Spanish premier, in VICTIMS OF THE an interview today regarding the attack by the Filipinos upon the Spanish garrison at Zamboanga, Island of Mindanao, in which two Spanish officers and three men were wounded

and one man was killed, said: "It is very painful to us to have suffered those losses in a territory that does not belong to us. We left these troops in the Philippines in the hope that they might aid in securing the release of the Spanish prisoners in the hands of the Filipinos. Our efforts in this direction have been fruitless. Aguinaldo refuses to treat with us, and a Frenchman (M. Dumarais) who had offered on our behalf to treat with the enemy, was killed by them, "America has not yet succeeded, as she has n

more authority than we had." Civilians Favor the Filipinos.

ian members of the United States the meeting with a Filipino commis-Del Pilar, who came to General Law- and have been sent to their various flag of truce, bearing the proposal. It is thought by the Amerlean commissioners that the idea may utmost to secure peace. Ten members | gruesome one, of Major General Lawton's band of Indian fighter, entered the town of San Miguel, about fifteen miles north of Norzagaray, not aware of what T. Street, of Philadelphia. place it was. They found two huntaking the scouts for the advance of General Lawton's army, fled, after firscout were wounded and have been brought to Manila.

been sent to the front.

Manila has led the authorities to relax the rule under which the city Streets were cleared from 7 to 8.30 b. m. and this evening there is the largest and most brilliant assembly of summoned a large number of witpedestrians and people in carriages to listen to a band concert on the Luneta that has been known here since the Spanlards left

Professor Schurman, president of the United States Philippine commission, gave a farewell luncheon today to Admiral Dewey at which Professor Dean C. Worcester and Colonel Charles Denby, of the commission, with General and the injured. MacArthur, Mrs. Lawton and others were present. The health of the admiral was drunk with the utmost cor

SCHOONER FOUNDERED

Cargo of Coal Causes the Nelson to Sink Rapidly.

Sault Ste Maria, Mich., May 14. The schooner Nelson, deeply lader with a cargo of coal, foundered in Lake Superior, off Grand Marais, last evening and carried all hands down. So far as known here, no one escaped the first lowing: Captain Andrew Hagnny, of Teledo: captair's wife, 2 year old child of Captain Hughny, Fred Haas, sailor, residence unknown; six sailors, names

At the time of the disuster the wind was blowing a gate of 50 miles an hour and freezing hard.

GOMEZ IN A FIX.

Generals Who Were to Receive the

\$3,000,000 Have Resigned. Havana, May 14.--General Comez has sent a message to Governor General Brooke that he will do himself the pleasure of eatling at headquarters tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock for a further conference regarding the payment of the Cuban troops,

The appointment for the interview is the result of a direct inquiry as to what General Gomez intended to de in view of the resignation and nonappearance of all the Cuban officers nominated by him to represent the sexcorps in the distribution of the \$3,000,000.

DEWEY'S HOMECOMING.

The Admiral Will Probably Be Ac corded Distinguished Honors Along the Route.

Washington, May 14 .- Admiral Dew-

's homecoming by way of the Medierranean is likely to give occasion for distinguished honors from the navies of Europe, most of them being represented by extensive squadrons in those waters. and some of them having their chief naval stations at Mediterranean ports. Already Ambassador France, has called the attention of the authorities at Paris to the return of Admiral Dewey by way of the Mediterranean and the probable sailing of his flagship Olympia past the French naval ports in Algiers. These are opposite the British possessions of Gibraltar and Malta, at the entrance to the Mediterranean, and are easy and natural stopping places along that route. It is hardly expected that the admiral will touch at Toulon, the great naval depot of France. At the ports of French Algiers he will be accorded every honor lue not only to his high rank, but to the universal esteem in which he is held by the naval fraternity.

The British authorities have taken no steps thus far to have the admiral stop at British ports, but it was stated toton's Men Continue to Advance. Dewey would be assured a most enday by one of the British officials that thusiastic greeting if he stopped at any British station and that undoubtedly steps would be taken to induce him to touch at Plymouth and Portsmouth, the outhern naval depots of England, if there was any prospect of his acceptance. In any event, it is said, the adpiral was quite likely to stop at Malta and Gibraltar, as these are the usual coaling places, and this would give an the admiral could be induced to stop in England en route home, it is said that he would probably be met at Aden or Port Said by a British escort,

RAILROAD WRECK

Total Number of Dead Reaches Twenty-Nine-Many of the Injured Still in the Hospitals.

Reading, May 14.—The total number dead as a result of Friday night's lows: rear end collision on the Philadelphia and Reading railway at Exeter, six miles below here, reached twenty-nine today, William D. Jenkins, of Norristown, dying at the hospital at that place. Of the large number of injured persons still in the hospitals here, three are in a serious condition and small hope is entertained for their recovery. They are William Friendenhorn, Thaddeus S. Adle and George W. Holmes, Manila, May 14, 7 p. m.-The civil- all of Norristown. Holmes, 9 year old son was instantly killed in the acci-Philippine commission are favorable to dent, but he hospital physicians have the meeting with a Filipino commis-sion which was suggested yesterday boy's death. All of the dead here have on behalf of Aguinaldo by Lieutenant | been identified and all the bodies have Reyes, of the staff of General Gregorio been claimed by relatives or friends

At least 10,000 persons visited the scene of the wreck today. Almost have resulted from a recent meeting of everybody was bent on carrying away the so-called Filipino congress at San some kind of a memento. Many of the Isidro. Definite information on this people did not hesitate to take away point, however, cannot yet be obtained, with them pieces of wood saturated though the local Filipino committee, with human blood. Everything in the which is in close communication with neighborhood of the wreck is bespatthe leaders of the rebellion, is doing its tered with blood and the sight was a

The body which was yesterday scouts, under W. M. Young, the old thought to be that of C. H. Howell, of Phoenixville, Pa., was roday positively identified as that of Captain Charles

The question as to who is responsidred Flifpinos there, but the rebels, ble for the catastrophe is still being discussed here. That some one blundered is generally admitted by the ing a few shots. Young and another railroad men. Who it was that blundered, howeves no one seems to positively know and opinions on this point The Ninth infantry and a mounted differ widely. The Reading railroad battery of twenty-seven guns have officials here today took the statements of the trainmen who were concerned The uniform quiet now prevailing in in the affair and they were sent to the general offices of the company in Philadelphia.

The coroner will begin a rigid inquiry tomorrow at 8 p. m. He has

The accident was the topic of conversation here today. Many of the dead and injured had relatives and friends in this city and there was sorrow on every hand. In every sermon preached in the churches today reference was made to the accident and prayers were offered for the dead

SOUTH AFRICA IS AGAIN WARMING UP

President Kruger and the English Preparing for an Engagement. Fortifying the Hilltops,

London, May 15 .- The Cape Town orrespondent of the Daily Mail says: "At a meeting of the commandants on the western border of the Transvaal yesterday (Saturday) instructions disaster of the season, except the cap- were issued to the burghers to protain. The crew consisted of the fol- pure to take the field at a moment's notice from Preteria.

"The negotiations still pending for the proposed meeting between President Kruger and Sir Alfred Milner governor of Cape Colony and British

high commissioner for South Africa Mr. Chamberlain (British colonial secretary), it is said, will not assent to the conference unless the Trans-vani executive pledges himself to initi-

ate bonande reforms." Johannessburg, Transvaal, May 14.-The work of fortifying the redoubts and the bilitops at points of strategic importance is progressing rapidly.

Mr. Hobert Improves.

Washington, May 14.—Vice President Hobart is getting stronger daily. Today for the first time in a long while he came down stairs and enjoyed luncheon with his family and friends.

Arrivals from Cuban Ports.

New York., May 14 .- Among the pass gers who arrived today on the steamer from Cuban ports were Mrs. General Wilson and Miss Wilson, Cap-tain James Thompson, U. S. A., and twelve female nurses

REV. DR. BRIGGS IS ORDAINED

CEREMONIES AT PRO-CATHE-DRAL WERE VERY QUIET.

No Protest and No Sensational Feature-A Large Crowd on Hand to Witness the Ceremonies-Bishop Potter's Open Letter-Dr. Briggs Will Retain His Position in Union Theological Seminary.

New York, May 14.-In the procathedral in Stanton, Rev. Dr. Charles A. Briggs, who was suspended for heresy by the Prosbyterian assembly. was ordained a priest of the Episcopal church. He was ordained together with the Rev. Charles A. Snedeker, and the ordination ceremonies were conducted by Bishop Potter, The little church was crowded with people, and the ceremonies were notable for the quietness that prevailed,

Those who expected, from the great outery of the past three or four weeks, some sensational features, were dis-There was no scene, no excitement, and no protest was filed at the beginning, during or at the close of the ordination.

There was nothing notable in the sernon preached by Rev. Dr. George William Douglass, The ceremonies were very long, com-

mencing at 10.30 o'clock and continuing until late in the afternoon. There was a large crowd about the little pro-cathedral church as early as 8.30 o'clock. This increased as the time opportunity for an expression of Brit-ish esteem for him. In the event that proached. Bishop Potter was asked what he had to say preliminary to the ceremonies. He said he had no notice

of protest, and had received no protest. He, however, had received a letter from a layman protesting against the ordination of Dr. Priggs, and, as this letter was written under a misapprehension of the facts and law, he had answered it. He did not desire to give the name of the layman, who, he said, was high up in the councils of the church. Inasmuch as the letter he himself had written in answer to it was general in its nature and set forth his position, he had no objection to

Bishop Potter's Statement.

Diocesan House, Lafayette Place, New York, May 10, 1899. My Dear Sir: Your letter of the 5th inst, is before me and I have given the matter to which it refers my best con-

making it public. The letter is as fol-

You exaggerate, however, my powers, and are in regard to them, under con-siderable misapprehension. In asking me to "refuse to orgain Rev. Dr. Briggs" to "take the responsibility of acting, in the case, as it demands," and to "have the courage" of my "convictions," you are apparently under the impression that my action in the matter is wholly within my own discretion. Such is not the case. A bishop's powers are constitutional, not absolute. In the matter of ordination he can only act when certain preliminary ction by others has b ders stands at the thershold of the ministry, the canons of ordination declare that the bishop "shall," not "may," then proceed to take order for the ordina tion of the person who has not the pre-liminary tests in the premises.

All these tests have been applied, in the case of the person to whom your let-ter refers and I have received a certificate to that effect from the standing littee of the diocese.

Under these circumstances and unless some charge effecting the character or eaching of Rev. Dr. Briggs which was not covered by the testimonial had been presented to me. I should not consider myself as baving discretion to disregard the plain imperative of the canon.

But nothing of the sort has been ad-suced. The book, the teachings of which have lately been challenged, has for some time before the public and the standing committee of the ese has been convened since recent and particular attention has been called to it. It was in my judgment, competent to that body, if it had seen fit to do so, to recall the certificate originally warded to me, on the ground that it had been signed under a misapprehension or within sufficient knowledge, but that it has not seen fit to do. I must, therefore, accept that certificate as final and I shall do so.

Willing to Accept Responsibility.

I beg, however, that you will not sup-pose that I am seeking to escape from my personal responsibility in the mat-ter of the ordination of Dr. Briggs by refiring behind the action of my constitu tional advisors. I have not the slightest desire to do so. The outery against the author of "The introduction to the Study of Holy Scripture" is chiefly to be de-plored because it betrays such a famourable ignorance of the progress of sound learning and the judgment of the best Christian scholars. One of these, a histop, writes: "You may be interested to see that the old staid Christian knowledge society republished my little para-oblet on the Bible, which contains the ame principles that are elaborated in your freatise. I am indignant at the misrepresentation or, we will hope, the misunderstandings, of some of your critics. Have they for the first time, some across the interpretation of the specifing with tengues, which harmonize that book with the cpistion the Corinti-ian. Have they never read Dean Plumotree's article on the subject in Smith's dictionary of the Bible?"

In a word, the author of the introduction to the study of Holy Scripture "has simply stated conclusions which the heat learning and most devout minds have as cepted before him." "I do not myself accept all of them, but that any of them denies or impugus any fundamental flor-trine of the faith can only be shown by mudiations or perversions of what the author has said, which are es malignant are unscrupulous

I note the prediction with which you conclude—that Dr. Brigge' advancement to the higher ministry for which he has seen recommended will precipitate de partures to the church of Rome. This would indeed be unfortunate, for the guther of "The Introduction to the Study of the Holy Scripture" holds letters from eminent Roman Catholic scholars of foremost rank in institutions of learn-ing of foremost dignity, expressing warmest appreciation of his contribution o the study of the Bible and intimating heir purpose to make use of it in their dass rooms. Here again it would seem be the safest guide to wise action

I need hardly add after what I have that it is my intention to seed at the time appinted to Dr. Briggs

I am, dear sir, sincerely your 41. C. Patrer.

ampton-Arrived: Bremen, New York for Bremen, New York-Arrived: Bar-Rev. Dr. Brigga was somewhat nerbarosso, Bremen.

yous, though he did not betray it in WHITTLING THE the church during the ceremonies. A simple service according to the APPROPRIATIONS Episcopal church was gone through and then the rites of ordination in accordance with "the form and manner of ordaining priests" were begun.

GOVERNOR STONE EXPECTS TO SAVE \$1,500,000.

Statement Filed Giving Reasons for Disapproving Certain Items in the Bill-The Money Saved by Cutting Down the School Appropriations Will Be Applied to Reducing the Floating Debt-Expects the People Will Justify Him.

No one arose. There was no protest handed to the bishop and the crucial moment was over. Then the regular formula of ordination was gone Harrisburg, May 14.-Governor Stone through. Dr. Briggs was seen after has made public his action on the genthe ceremony. He said he had nothing eral appropriation bill, which provides to say concerning the criticisms raised for the ordinary expenses of the varby his ordination. Te said he was going to take a rest. A close friend of ious branches of the state government, Dr. Briggs said that he would go to the interest on the public debt and for Europe and in the fall would labor in the support of the public schools for the pro-cathedral church. Rev. Dr. Paddock said that it seemed strange that a man of Dr. Briggs' learning He has made a cut of \$1,000,000 should take so much pleasure in laborin the school appropriation and reing among the poor of the East Side, but this was his wish. He said that duced several other items whereby he saves in the aggregate \$1,500,000, which Rev. Dr. Briggs would not give up his position as professor in Union Theo-

will be applied to reducing the floating debt of the commonwealth. The governor has filed in the office of the secretary of the commonwealth a statement giving his reasons for disapproving certain items in the bill and approving parts of certain other items. He recites the history of the steady inrease that has been made in the school appropriation since the adoption of the constitution of 1874, which requires that not less than \$1,000,000 shall be appropriated annually for the support of the common schools. He shows that in 1893, when the fund was nereased from \$5,000,000 to \$5,500,000 the additional half million was intended to be used to enforce the free text book law. The net annual revenues of the commonwealth are about \$11,-000,000, of which there is paid out of the state treasury annually more than \$6,006,000 in support of the cause of education. Governor Stone says the magnificent appropriation to the public school has financially embarrassed the state and that if the revenues would justify it he would cheerfully allow the appropriation to remain at \$11,000,000. claims it is absolutely necessary to reduce the appropriation and he is confident that the people will justify him in making a reduction of \$500,000 annually in order that the appropriations made by prior legislatures may

be paid. As to New Burdens.

governor believes the state should pay its pre-existing debts beore it assumes new burdens, which it is impossible to pay. He contends that he has the right to disapprove part of an item in an appropriation bill, and says it has been done by some of his predecessors. He has also cut down the appropriation to the thirteen state normal schools and the items for ng several millions have been filed. the payment of the salaries of the ofhouse, and disapproved the items for there appears to be much doubt as to the payment of the salaries of extra who is liable since the sovereignty employes. He says the question of extra employes was fully considered wo years ago by his predecessor, and he does not feel justified in opening it anew. All the items in the bill are approved, except the following and

those already indicated: Appropriating \$3 a day during the legislative recess for a calendar and

property clerk in the senate. Appropriating \$1,750 for the payment of the salaries of five extra pages in the senate during the session of 1897. For the payment of Anthony Frenie and Josiah Higgins, janitors of the toilet and bath rooms of the capitol and executive buildings at the rate of

For the payment of rent of the rooms ecupied by the department of public instruction, forestry commission and conomic zoologist.

Appropriating \$3,994.62 for the pay ment of the expenses of the delegates to the meetings of the national farmer's congress at St. Paul and Fort

Worth. For the payment of \$750 to Architects. Rankin and Kellogg, of Philadelphia, for services rendered at the Wernersville hospital for the chronic insane, For the payment of Mary Weyand \$9.13, for the purchase money and fees for a tract of land in Turkeyfoot town-Somerset county, the title which was previously granted to other

For the payment of \$2,292,90 to The sonal property destroyed by the burning of the capitol.

ommlitee, for stenographic services Wheeler was not in it. and typewriting authorized by the leg- | much comment and inquiry from perslature of 1897. For the payment of 8900 to the estate of the late Edgar L. King, of Harrisburg, for services as stenographer and typewriter to inves- ing Judge Brawley gave out a statelgating committee and for \$450 to Miss Gertrude M. Butler, of Harrisburg, and the blame on General C. I. Walker \$150 to William F. Reber, of Philadels who commands the South Carollea disphia, who assisted Mr. King.

George F. Murray, of Harrisburg, \$850 charge of the parade. After refor carpenter work in and about the ing the circumstances of General

house, except resident clerk and watchman, is approved for \$40,054. Legislative Record.

That portion of the item which pro-

vides for the payment of the publication of the Legislative Record at the some rate per page for 200 copies above and over the regular edition. The item appropriating \$34,224 for the

salaries of the officers and employes of the senate (excepting librarian and watchman) is reduced \$3,000. The item which appropriates \$260,000

for the State Normal schools is approved in so far as it provides for the payment of \$130,000 to these schools for the first of the two years and it disapproved for the second year begin-

The item appropriating \$230,000 to the payment of the salaries of county superintendent of schools is reduced to

\$205,000. The Item appropriating \$2,000 to the tate medical council is scaled down to

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Tribune.

Weather Indications Today:

General-China Refuses Russia's De-

INCREASING CLOUDIWESS.

mand for Railway Concessions. Filipino Insurgents Capture Spaniards. Governor Stone Cuts the Appropria-

Asking Settlement of Cuban Claims. Ordination of Rev. Dr. Briggs,

Sports-Atlantic, National and Other League Base Ball Game

Financial and Commercial, Local-Tenth Anniversary of the Epworth League. South Side Sewer Movement.

Editorial.

Comment of the Press, Local-Death of Plummer S. Page.

Mention of Some Men of the Hour Local-West Scranton and Suburban.

News Round About Scranton 8 Local-Welsh Baptists Meet at Taylor

ROOSEVELT WILL COME.

the two fiscal years beginning June 1. President Fitzgerald, of the New York Letter Carriers' Association, Says He Will Positively Be Here.

> President M. A. Fitzgerald, C. M. Waldron Thomas F. O'Malley, Charles F. McCarthy and William J. Malloy, of the New York Letter Carriers' association, are in the city arranging for the transportation and entertainment of the New York, Brooklyn and upper New Jersey carriers who will come here in September to attend the national convention of letter carriers. They came Saturday in company with President John H. Phillips and Michael O'Malley, of the local carriers' association, who, with E. E. Robathan, spent last week in New York confering with their metropolitan brethren regarding the convention.

When seen by a Tribune reporter esterday at the Jermyn, President Fitzgerald stated that they not only expected to bring Governor Roesevelt with them on Labor day, but had posi-

tive assurance that he will come Mr. Fitzgerald was chairman of the committee which waited on Governor Recovered to extend him the invitation Without any hesitancy of "ifs" and 'ands," the governor said: "I will be pleased to accompany the New York carriers to Scranton. The carriers were always my friends and I am a great admirer of their organization. You can tell the boys I will be with them and that I will be proud to ride with them in the parade.

Before the committee left he requested that they send him a formal invitation to be filed in his calendar, that there would be no chance of his overlooking the engagement.

President Fitzgerald corroborates all that Mr. Robathan reported concerning the enthusiasm in New York over the coming parade. He gave the additional information that both Newark and Jersey City, as well as New York. have letter carrier bands, and that they will head their respective asso-

ciations in the parade Saturday and yesterday the New York committee was handsomely entertained by the local carriers and their friends. Yesterday afternoon, in company with Mr. Robathan and Carriers Phillips, O'Malley and Fidian, they were taken for a drive over the boulevard, behind some of the city's best horseffesh, ex-Sheriff Charles Robinson and P. J. and A. J. Casey having placed their stables at the local committee's

The visitors will return to New York oday, "Believe me," said President Fitzgerald to a Tribune reporter last evening, "when we get through telling our men in New York about this city and her people, there will be trouble in picking out the one hundred carriers who will have to stay behind to make the holiday collections."

WHY GEN WHEELER FAILED TO PARADE

Blundering Incapacity on the Part of Some One in Charlestown-State ment of His Host.

Charlestown, S. C., May 14.-It seems that the failure of General Joe Wheeler to appear in the big parade of Confederate veterans here on Wednesday is destined to be the cause of much talk and bad feeling. General Wheeler was a special guest of the city. dore C. Erb, mechanic of the capital stopped at the home of United States buildings, to reimburse him for perhave ridden in the procession and the spectators were prepared to give him-For the payment of William K. Mil- an ovation. But the line was formed er, clerk to the house appropriations and passed through the city and

sons who know he was in the city This talk has gathered volume as the days have passed and this mornment for publication, in which he lays vision of the United Confederate Vet-For the payment to the estate of erans, and who, in consequence, was in Wheeler's visit here, he says he never The item appropriating 342,529 for the dramed that so prominent a man salaries of officers and employes of the would be left out of the picture Leaving General Wheeler at his home, he took Miss Wheeler and went to watch the parade. He had informed General Walker of General Wheeler's arrival and he had seen a programme for the parade in which General Wheeler's name appeared. He was assonished beyond measure when he did not see

Wheeler in line. Judge Brawley concludes his state-ment at follows: "That there has been a painful exhibition of blundering incapacity somewhere is, of course, evident. The public will naturally hold General Walker responsible unless he can show that some one appointed for socially, the purpose had failed to earry out his

Rapid Justice in Connecticut.

orders."

Bridgeport, Conn., May 4.—An Italian and O. H. Minotte was killed here tonight by some of his curaged country men for assaulting the 5-year-old daugh-ter of an Italian couple named Fonderresiding in the Italian quarter of

CHINA SHOWS SOME SPIRIT

Will Not Grant Russia's Demand for Railway Concession.

DISASTROUS TO BRITISH

Not Since the Taking of Port Arthur Have the Chinese Been so Agitated as Over This Demand-The Concession Would Ruin Northern Railways in Which British Capital to the Amount of \$2,000,000 Is Invested - Purpose of Russia's Action.

Shanghai, May 14.-The Tsung IA Yamon (Chinese foreign office) has replied to the Russian minister at Pekin, M. De Giers, that the government is unable to accede to the Russian demand, made last Wednesday, for a new railway concession connecting Pekin with Russia's present system in Man-

Not since the taking of Port Arthur by Russia have the Chinese been so agitated as over this demand. Whether M. De Giers named a specific route is not yet ascertainable, some of them stating that only a preliminary notice was given by Russia and others that she is asking for a line direct from Pekin to Shan Hai Kwon. Certainly the British legation in Pekin had no previous knowledge that such a proporal was coming from St. Petersburg The concession asked for would ruin the existing northern rallways in which British capital to the amount of \$2,000 -000 is invested, but there seems to be no alternative route, without interfering with plans for railway extension which the Chinese have themselves in mind.

It is believed that Russia's action in this matter is intended to demonstrate to the world that the recent convention with Great Britain respecting spheres of interest in China, which was notified to the Chinese government almost immediately before this latest concession was demanded, has not fettered the action of Russia at the court of Pekin, and also to strengthen Russia's prestige with the Chinese, which were unfavorably fected by her withdrawal of her late protest respecting the northern rail-

HENRY IRVING ILL.

The Celebrated Actor Obliged to Take a Rest.

London, May 14.-Sir Henry Irving. whose recent work in the title role of Sardou's drama, "Robespierre," at the Lyceum theater had been exceedingly trying, was taken seriously ill this morning (Sunday) with an affection

of the threat. Dr. Para, a specialist, was immediately summoned and as the result of his advice, it is announced this evening that Sir Henry's part during the present week will be taken by his son,

Lawrence Irving is Sir Henry's understudy in several notable roles The announcement of the illness brought a large crowd of professional callers this evening to Sir Henry's residence in Grafton street, but his medi-

cal adviser has forbidden him to receive any one at present. It is hoped that with complete rest he will be restored to his usual health by the end of the week.

RUMORS ABOUT CLEVELAND.

Persistent Stories to the Effect That He Is Dead.

Cleveland, May H.-Persistent rumors to the effect that ex-President Cleveland, who is fishing at Middle Bass island, in Lake Erie, had dropped dead today, reached here from the east and west this evening. There is no telesgraph wire to the place. At 10 o'clock touight a steamer ar-

a passenger on board says he was with Mr. Cleveland at 4 p. m. today and he was well then. This would appear to set at rest the story of his death. steamer Arrow arrived there at 10.45

rived at Toledo from Put in Bay and

A special from Sandusley says the o'clock from the island. The captain said he saw Mr. Cleveland at 9 o'clock. He was then alive and well.

BATTLE TO THE DEATH.

The Spectators Who Got in Range Also Suffered.

Mr. Vernon, Ga., May 14.-Last night at Hancocks' Mills, six miles north of this place, a battle to the death was tought between John Letter on one side, and James Morris and George McLeod on the other, apparently with-

After the smoke had cleared away John Letter was found killed George McLood mortally wounded and Tom Yewmans, a negro, standing in range, dangerously shot through the neck.

Actor Layton Dead.

Philadelphia, May 11.—Hichard Layton, O years old, a member of Richard Mans-field's company, died at the Pennsylvania hospital vesterday. He had been operated on for a tumor and apparently was recovering: He was of English birta and is said to have been well connected

WEATHER FORECAST.

Weshington, Max 14.-Foreast or Monday. For eastern Pennincreasing cloudiness lowers Monday hight and Tue day; winds shifting to fresh east-